

CANTON AND
CANAL DOVER

Are to be Linked by Electric
Railway in Near
Future.

Company of Canton Men
Incorporated at Columbus Today.

RIGHT OF WAY PRACTICALLY SECURED

Engineers Report That Line
Will be Easy of Construction
and Expense Will
be Light.

The Canton & Dover Electric railway company was incorporated at Columbus Monday, with a capital stock of \$10,000. So far as can be ascertained, all the capitalists interested reside in Canton. The incorporators are A. M. McCarty, William Wagner, A. Danne-miller, W. R. Zollinger, William H. Clark, John E. Monnot, J. F. Dougherty, L. A. Lotchot, C. S. McDowell and John C. Harmony.

The projectors of the road have been working for the past year to secure the rights of way. The line is almost directly south from Canton, going through North Industry, Howenstine, Sparta, Sandyville, Zoar and on to Dover. The surveys show that from Dover a spur is to be built up the Sandy valley to Magnolia, Waynesburg and Malvern. At Zoar a cross line will be built running from Mineral City to Bolivar.

The direct line from Canton to Dover will be 23 miles long, or ten miles shorter than that of the Canton & New Philadelphia company. It will be all over a private right of way, and these rights have all been secured, it is stated, with the possible exception of about 1-4 miles.

The engineers have been over the route and have reported that the maximum grade at any point will be two per cent. On the greater part of the line the work will be light, but upon others there will be some heavy grading done.

The object of the company will be to carry not only passengers, but mails, freight, express and care for all the business that can be secured.

Just as soon as the letters of incorporation arrive in the city, the company will be organized by the election of officers. W. W. Irwin, John Morley and several other Cantonians in addition to those named as incorporators are interested in the project.

CONDUCTOR FELL
FROM AN ENGINE

William Schafer, Ft. Wayne
Employee Removed to Ault-
man Hospital Yesterday.

William Schafer, of Crestline, conductor of an eastbound extra freight train on the Pennsylvania, was seriously injured in the Canton yards Sunday.

Schafer attempted to step down from the engine which was switching in the yards, and grasped the curtain of the cab in doing so. The curtain gave way and precipitated him to the ground. His head was severely cut, requiring several stitches.

Miller & Blanchard's ambulance was called and Schafer was removed to the Aultman hospital where his injuries were dressed by Dr. S. B. Post. Dr. Post said the man would probably recover. At present he is suffering great pain from the wound in his head and from the resultant shock. He has a wife and family living in Crestline.

AUTO BROKE

And Spilled the Royal Party.

Rome, Jan. 26.—United States Ambassador Meyer, while proceeding with the king for a day's hunting today, met with an accident. The automobile car in which they were riding broke down and though the occupants were not seriously hurt they were badly shaken up. The news of the accident was enlarged and was in sensational shape when published here. Finally the authentic accounts appeared, which showed no serious injury had been sustained by either the king or the automobile.

SEVERE FALL

Is Sustained by Mrs. Stackpole

Mrs. Thomas Stackpole, of 633 North Market street, had a severe fall Sunday evening about nine o'clock. Mrs. Stackpole was calling on Mrs. Isaac Harter, neighbor, and on ascending the steps to her own home, slipped and fell. Some of the ligaments of the hip were torn from the joint, but no bones were broken. She was assisted into the house and Dr. Post summoned. Her condition today is reported as improved.

CARS WENT
OVER BANK

Two Men Killed in a
Wreck Near Williams-
port, Pa.

Williamsport, Pa., Jan. 26.—In a railroad wreck on the Williamsport and North Branch railroad at Lake Mokoma this morning, 20 cars went over an embankment, two men were killed and two injured.

Snow clogged the switch engine and caused the wreck.

TOUCHED BY
FAIRY WAND

Grand Opera House Convert-
ed in a Night to Spacious
Banquet Hall.

Banners, Bunting and
Fine Portraits Form
Decorations.

CATERER IS PREPARING THE FEAST

Fifty Waiters to be Brought
From Cleveland—Impromptu
Kitchen Fitted up Under
the Stage.

The arrangements for the banquet are practically completed. The floor in the opera house is built, the tables arranged and the decorations nearly finished. The false floor extends over the entire space in the parquet, except three or four rows of seats under the balcony, which have been partitioned off with curtains for cloak rooms.

The decorations are under the supervision of C. C. Bow and W. R. Zollinger. Over the stage is a canopy of red, white and blue bunting, merging from the center. All the curtains and stage settings have been removed. In the center of the stage an orchestra stand has been erected, which will elevate the musicians about ten feet above the banquet hall.

The prevailing decorations are shields and flags, the latter draped artistically. In addition to the flags bunting is used in profusion. On either side of the hall are large sized pictures of McKinley and Roosevelt and in addition to these pictures a handsome oil painting of McKinley is expected from Cincinnati, which will be given a prominent place. It belongs to the Cincinnati Republican club and is pronounced the finest picture of the late president that has ever been painted.

Under the stage proper a spacious kitchen has been fitted up, with gas ranges, stoves and a large heating oven in which the viands will be kept hot.

Caterer Demarest, from Cleveland, will arrive in Canton at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning and will take charge of the kitchen at once. He will bring with him his chefs and waiters, the party numbering about fifty. Nearly all the supplies will be brought from Cleveland in the special car.

KREBS DENIES
HIS OWN DEATH

Has Convincing Proofs That
He is not a Spook—Re-
latives Were
Anxious.

Several weeks ago a notice of the death of Fred Krebs, formerly of Canton, but now residing in Pennsylvania, was printed in the Ohio Volks-Zeitung. The article stated that Mr. Krebs had died suddenly at his home on his return from a short visit in Canton. This was a few days after Christmas. It was also stated that the body had been buried in the cemetery at his home.

Saturday Mr. Krebs made his appearance at the Volks-Zeitung office and denied that he was dead. His appearance bore out this statement. How the report of his death was started Mr. Krebs was unable to state. It caused much anxiety and worry to his relatives here until it was proved to be false.

COUNT BONI GETS
THE JOB AT LAST

After Being Invalidated His
Election to Deputyship is
Finally Confirmed.

Paris, Jan. 26.—Complete returns from the Basses-Alpes district show that in an election for deputy held there on Saturday, Count Boni De Castellane was elected. His vote was 2,348, while that of Andre Siegfried, his opponent, was 1,849. Count Boni was elected at a general election but his election was invalidated by the chamber of deputies on Nov. 7 on the ground that Boni had used undue influence to obtain the position.

MORE TIME

For Ratification of Treaty.

Washington, Jan. 26.—Senator Quesada, Cuban minister to the United States and Secretary Hay this morning signed a protocol extending the time allowed for the ratification of the Cuban treaty, negotiated at Havana by General Lasker H. Bliss and the Cuban secretaries of state and treasury.

The original time limit set was January 31. The length of the extension is not yet known.

REALTY COMPANY

Will do Business in Massillon.

Columbus, Jan. 26.—The Massillon Realty company, of Massillon, was incorporated today, with a capital stock of \$10,000. Wm. S. Spidle, George R. Hawkins, W. C. Marple, J. L. Free and Anthony Clements are the incorporators.

EX-SECRETARY LONG
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Boston, Jan. 26.—John Davis Long, former secretary of the navy, is seriously ill at St. Margaret's hospital here. Dr. Cabot says that his distinguished patient may not leave the hospital for some time. The malady is chronic kidney disease, which was aggravated by his arduous duties at Washington.

PRISONERS ESCAPE.

Washington, Jan. 26.—The story of a daring jail delivery comes by mail from Manila. Fourteen prisoners confined in the provincial jail at Batangas overpowered their guards, killing one, and escaped after seizing all the arms and ammunition in the jail. Two of the prisoners were murderers under sentence of death.

JUDGE W. R. DAY SENDS FORMAL
ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT

Wear Carnation in
McKinley's Honor.

Scripta-McRae Telegram
CINCINNATI, Jan. 26.—The McKinley Carnation League has issued a call for all to observe McKinley's birthday next Thursday, January 29, by wearing a carnation in the lapel of coats. As there is opposition to having any more legal holidays, this simple observance of the day without any interference with business duties is all that the league contemplates, and efforts are being made to have the first observance a success.

HIS LIFE TO
BE SPARED

Col. Lynch Escapes Ex-
ecution to go to Pris-
on for Life.

London, Jan. 26.—The exchange telegraph company this morning says it is stated in official circles that the sentence of Colonel Arthur Lynch, condemned to die for high treason, will be commuted to a sentence of imprisonment for life, and that his case will be further considered after he has served a term of years.

THE FIRST ARREST
UNDER WINN LAW

Ethel Williams Locked up on
Charge of Selling Drinks in
Disorderly House.

The first arrest ever made in Canton under the Winn law which prohibits the selling or giving away of intoxicating drinks in a house of ill-repute was made Sunday morning, when Ethel Williams, residing on South Cherry street, was locked up on this charge.

When Officers Schlemmer, Ryan and Zimmerman entered the house they found a number of persons drinking and carousing. All of the intoxicants, a case of beer and a bottle of wine were confiscated and with the proprietress of the place were hauled to the police station in the patrol.

According to the Winn law persons found guilty of selling or giving away any intoxicating drinks are liable to a fine of not less than \$50 and imprisonment for not less than one month. The extent of the penalty is \$500 fine and costs and six months imprisonment.

Ethel Williams admits not having paid the Dow tax and is therefore liable for that amount, \$350. She will be given a hearing before Mayor Robertson Monday afternoon.

LEAVES AT MIDNIGHT

Special to the News-Democrat.

Washington, Jan. 26.—President Roosevelt leaves for Canton at midnight to attend the McKinley banquet Tuesday night, given by the Republican league.

BLOOD SPILLED IN RACE
RIOT IN ILLINOIS TOWN

Battle Royal Between Negroes and Whites at
Bloomington Results in Death for One
and Serious Injuries to Others.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Jan. 26.—A sensational encounter between 10 or 20 colored men and women aroused the city at midnight. Mrs. Joseph Brown was shot through the head and will probably die and it is reported others were badly wounded.

Her body was found on the railroad tracks and removed just before a train was due.

Twenty or thirty shots were exchanged. The entire police department was ordered to the scene and arrests were made of several of the principals. The trouble was started by an attempt on the part of the negroes to chase the whites out of the district, which is peopled almost exclusively by negroes.

ENGLAND AND ITALY GIVE CONSENT TO
LIFTING VENEZUELAN BLOCKADE AT ONCE

Action of Germany Is Now Waited With Im-
patience by the Other Powers—When She
Says the Word Hostilities Will Cease.

Revolutionists Gain Decisive Victory Over Cas-
tro's Troops Near Puerto Calcello—Com-
manding General is Taken Prisoner.

Scripta-McRae Telegram.

Washington, Jan. 26.—Great Britain has given her assent to the proposition to raise the Venezuela blockade and has promised to use her influence with other allies to that end.

This information was conveyed to Mr. Bowen this morning by Ambassador Herbert. Italy is ready to co-operate with England and as soon as Germany gives her consent the blockade will cease.

Willemstad, Curacao, Jan. 26.—Ad-
vices just received from Puerto Ca-

bello give information that the Venezuelan revolutionists have gained a decisive victory over the government forces in a battle which was fought forty miles west of there. Scattered detachments of the government soldiers are arriving in Puerto Cabello from the scene of battle. A later dispatch from Puerto Cabello says that the revolutionists captured the commanding general of President Castro's troops during the engagement.

New York, Jan. 26.—Dispatches to the Herald from Puerto Cabello, Ven-

ezuela, report that persons in close touch with the blockading forces, say that the Germans have captured fort San Carlos, which commands an entrance to Lake Maracaibo, and that the fort has been blown up. They also report that the German gunboat Panther, has been disabled and is being towed by the German cruiser Falke to Willemstad, Curacao.

Berlin, Jan. 26.—Your correspondent learns officially that the powers are now jointly considering the guarantees offered by Minister Bowen on behalf of Venezuela, for payment of the various claims. If these guarantees are satisfactory the blockade will be raised immediately.

PIANO TUNER

Taken for Professional Burglar
T. P. Kennedy, arrested Friday night, was fined \$2 and costs by Mayor Robertson Saturday evening for being intoxicated. When brought in Kennedy had a number of tools on his person and there was a suspicion that he was a professional burglar. It developed later, however, that he was a piano tuner and was on his way to repair a piano when he took an overdose of intoxicants.